

What Is Claimed Is:

- 1 ~~1. A method for conducting a financial~~
2 ~~analysis, the method comprising:~~
3 ~~creating a financial analysis utility having a~~
4 ~~standardized format; and~~
5 ~~providing access through a communication~~
6 ~~network to the financial analysis utility to employees~~
7 ~~of a business enterprise to establish a single source~~
8 ~~for the financial analysis utility.~~
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 wherein creating a
2 financial analysis utility further comprises creating a
3 rules table for use with the financial analysis utility.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2 wherein the rules
2 table matches a user input with a predefined rule to
3 obtain a rate.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is in communication with a
3 database having actual and forecasted financial values.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an exchange rate tool.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an volume extension tool.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an allocation tool.

1 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an aggregation/average
3 tool.

1 9. The method of claim 1 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an variance tool.

1 10. A method for conducting a financial
2 analysis, the method comprising:
3 creating a financial analysis utility having a
4 standardized format, the standardized format includes a
5 rules table for use with the financial analysis utility;
6 and
7 providing access through a communication
8 network to the financial analysis utility to employees
9 of a business enterprise to establish a single source
10 for the financial analysis utility.

1 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the rules
2 table matches a user input with a predefined rule to
3 obtain a rate.

1 12. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is in communication with a
3 database having actual and forecasted financial values.

1 13. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an exchange rate tool.

1 14. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an volume extension tool.

1 15. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an allocation tool.

1 16. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an aggregation/average
3 tool.

1 17. The method of claim 10 wherein the
2 financial analysis utility is an variance tool.

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